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SUBJECT: UNESCO CONVENTION ON MEANS OF PROHIBITING AND
PREVENTING THE ILLICIT IMPORT, EXPORT AND TRANSFER OF
OWNERSHIP OF CULTURAL PROPERTY

1. SENATE NOW HOLDING HEARINGS ON H.R. 5643, RECENTLY
PASSED BY HOUSE, TO IMPLEMENT THIS CONVENTION. IF PASSED
U.S. WILL BE ABLE TO DEPOSIT ITS INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION.

2. DURING HEARINGS FEBRUARY 8, SENATORS RIBICOFF (CHAIR)
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AND MOYNIHAN EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT NONE OF THE OTHER
MAJOR ART-IMPORTING COUNTRIES HAS YET ADHERED TO THE CON-
VENTION. THEY QUESTIONED THE VALUE OF THE CONVENTION--AND
THE EFFECT ON THE U.S. ART MARKET--IF THESE OTHER COUNTRIES
(U.K., FRG, JAPAN, FRANCE, SWITZERLAND) DID NOT ALSO ADHERE.
TO TEST U.S. INFLUENCE IN UNESCO AND THE ORGANIZATION'S
RETURN TO MORALITY, THEY SUGGESTED THAT SECRETARIAT SHOULD
PRESS THESE COUNTRIES TO ADHERE TO CONVENTION. APPARENTLY
THEIR ADHERENCES OR STEPS TO ADHERENCE MIGHT BE A PRE-
CONDITION TO U.S. ADHERENCE.

3. AT NEXT INFORMATION GROUP MEETING, PERMDEL SHOULD QUERY MEMBERS THEIR GOVERNMENT'S POSITION ON THE CONVENTION AND WHEN THEY PLAN TO ADHERE TO IT. PERMDEL MAY NOTE CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN AT FAILURE SO FAR OF MAJOR ART-IMPORTING COUNTRIES TO JOIN THE CONVENTION OR TAKE STEPS TO JOIN.

4. PERMDEL SHOULD ALSO RAISE WITH SECRETARIAT WHAT ACTIONS, IF ANY, THEY MIGHT HAVE TAKEN TO URGE MEMBER STATES, PARTICULARLY MAJOR ART-IMPORTING STATES, TO JOIN OTHER THAN CIRCULAR LETTERS ROUTINELY SENT TO MEMBER STATES. FURTHER, PERMDEL SHOULD INQUIRE WHETHER UNESCO SECRETARIAT PREPARED TO MAKE SPECIAL APPROACH TO MAJOR ART-IMPORTING COUNTRIES AND, IF APPROPRIATE, URGE SECRETARIAT TO TAKE SUCH ACTION.

5. ADVISE ACTION TAKEN AND RESULTS OF DISCUSSIONS. VANCE

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